

27th April 2020

Dear 3CM,

I am writing this letter as I am thinking about all of you and missing you. I hope everyone and all of your families are safe and well and that you have all been enjoying the time together during Easter holidays.

During the Easter break, I deep cleaned my house as well as cooking a variety of interesting dishes. I also dyed eggs, using red onion skins and vinegar. Another way of dyeing eggs is by using food colouring but that is not organic. The tradition to decorate eggs at Easter is wide-spread within Central and Eastern Europe. The oldest known decorated eggs were detected in Germany: two coloured goose eggs with decorated scratches were found in a 4th century grave of a young girl. Easter eggs are dyed red to represent the blood of Christ and they are also a symbol of new life and Jesus' resurrection. I've continued spending time in the garden playing with my bichon frise dog - Hugo, reading, listening to music and watching my favourite reality show: Race around the World.

What did you do over the Easter holidays? I cannot wait to read your responses. I had one lovely email back from ZC telling me what he has been up to. He also correctly guessed where the picture in my previous letter was taken. I look forward to hearing from more of you.

I also want to talk to you about **Google Classroom**. I'm very excited about it. All of your parents and carers will have received an email with your new email address and a special code so you can all enter the new 3CM online classroom. I will upload work on there for you to complete and send back to me. If you have any questions about the learning, you can write me a message. Learning will be available for you from Monday 27th April on Google Classroom as well as a timetable for you to follow and the **code of conduct** that you must read and follow while using Google Classroom.

Your parents will have also received an email with instructions on how to access **Accelerated Reader** online. Can you all remember your ZPDs? If you don't, check the back page of your Reading Record. It is stuck there. Please access this at home and have a look at all of the wonderful books available for you to read.

Please also remember to continue to log on to **Times Tables Rock Stars, MyMaths and Bug Club**. I am checking in at least 3 or 4 times a week, so I do know who is completing learning online. Some of you haven't accessed it at all, since the school closed. Come on 3CM, we can do this!

Here is a lovely message from Mrs. Williams:

Hello year 3! I hope you are all keeping safe and enjoying the sunshine. This is a surreal time but it won't last forever. Enjoy your time with your family and we will all be back in class very soon. Don't forget to do your work too, as this is also very important. I look forward to seeing your smiling faces and hearing your news. Missing everyone and see you all soon!

I know everything is different at the moment, but remember you are not alone. We all have to stay positive and keep ourselves busy with interesting and humorous things. Hopefully Google Classroom will support you as well. I will write to you all again soon but meanwhile I am anxiously waiting for your responses. – remember your punctuation and powerful vocabulary.

Yours sincerely,

Miss.C.L.Man

My dyed Easter Eggs!

